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MISMANAGEMENT IN I.F.F.I. 2002
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Film Festival of India 2002 was marred by mismanagement and caused wide range of dissatisfaction and criticism;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government reviewed the performance and found anybody guilty for gradual deterioration of the standard;

(d) the action taken by the Government against them; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to improve the standard of such festival in future?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING(SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (e) : During the International Film Festival of India 2002, as many as 194films from about 40 countries were shown and over 1800 delegate passes were issued. The festival featured Country Focus on South Africa and Vietnam, packagesfrom France, Netherlands, Brazil, Japan, Germany and Croatia and threeRetrospectives. The Asian competition section was also a part of IFFI 2002. A Film Market was also set up during the Festival. The Festival was appreciated by manydelegates and visitors. However, as in all events of such plurality and magnitude, all participants may not be equally satisfied. Review of major events organized by various units of the Ministry is an on-going process to further improve and refine them.